

Continuation of U.S. Patent Appln. Ser. No. 09/876,762  
Preliminary Amendment  
Attorney Docket No. 72167.000630  
July 10, 2007

RECEIVED  
CENTRAL FAX CENTER  
JUL 10 2007

### REMARKS

Applicant hereby files this Preliminary Amendment and asks that it be entered prior to examination of this application. Claims 44 through 83 are pending. Claims 1 through 43 have been canceled. No new matter has been added by this amendment.

### CONCLUSION

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 44 through 83 are in condition for allowance and requests allowance of the same.

Applicant has submitted an additional claims fee of \$1050.00 based on the addition of new claims. If any variance from this amount is determined to be due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to deduct or credit such fees from or to the undersigned's Deposit Account No. 50-0206.

Respectfully submitted,

HUNTON & WILLIAMS LLP

Dated: July 10, 2007  
Hunton & Williams LLP  
Intellectual Property Department  
1900 K Street, N.W.  
Suite 1200  
Washington, DC 20006-1109  
(305) 810-2522 (telephone)  
(305) 810-1615 (facsimile)

By:

  
Nancy J. Flint  
Registration No. 46,704

NJF/kmb